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In re Application of: Masaaki Nishino

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF FINAL REJECTION

Sir

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the final rejection set forth in the Office Action of April 21, 2004 are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

THE FINAL REJECTION

Claims 1-9, 12-14, 16-19 and 21-23 are pending in this application. The Office Action finally rejects all of the claims under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Fan, United States Patent No. 5,926,168 in view of Hashimoto, United States Patent No. 5,554,980.

TYPICAL PRIOR ART

Typical of the prior art is a mouse or a track ball which causes movement of the cursor simply by movement of the mouse on a surface or rotation of the ball. Only one action is required. Once the cursor is positioned, an item at that location can be selected by actuation of a "left click" or "right click" button on the mouse or track ball.